

# Gilmore applies for provost post, leaves on Fulbright Grant

By James P. Kushlan

Dr. Harold L. Gilmore, fired last month from his position as Head of the Division of Business Administration, has applied for the office of Provost/Dean of Capitol Campus.

In a telephone interview on October 8, the evening before he left for India on a Fulbright grant, Gilmore said he was going to inform the University Park administration of his application for Capitol's highest post.

"I think I'm qualified," he said.

Gilmore, a Professor of Management, was removed from his position as head of the Business Division August 31 by Dr. Stanley N. Miller, Acting Provost/Dean. Gilmore retains a teaching position here, though.

Miller, speaking through Michael J. Breslin, Director of Campus Relations, continued to decline comment on any reasons for Gilmore's firing. According to Breslin, such silence is normal in personnel matters.

In the September issue of Capitol Times, Gilmore was

reported to be awaiting a response from University President Bryce Jordan to his request for an evaluation of the firing. Gilmore said he received a letter from Jordan the day before he was to leave for India.

"The letter did not speak to the issue of the fact that I had been removed from the division head position, nor did it address the reason wherefore," he said. "I don't think any will ever be offered."

Gilmore is now in India on a Fulbright grant, to lecture and consult.

If Gilmore isn't chosen as Provost/Dean in the Spring, he said, he would ask to work in absentia from Capitol Campus for the remainder of the year. He said Jordan is in the process of facilitating a temporary assignment to University Park for Spring 1984. If this assignment were not granted, Gilmore wants to revise his book on product evaluation.

Gilmore said he had been under the impression a University Park evaluation of his firing would be made. But, after receiving Jordan's letter, he said, "Whether

they did or did not, I have no idea."

Jordan "very carefully skirted the whole business," he said.

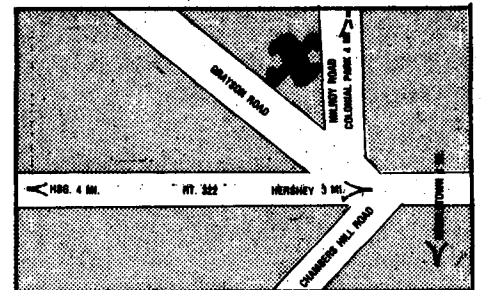
"As far as I'm concerned, it's a dead issue."

Gilmore said he had written to Jordan asking about his status as a representative of the Division of Business Administration during

his stay in India, from October 9 to November 21. In Jordan's letter, Gilmore said, the University President told him not to make any commitments in the areas of faculty and student exchanges, and collaborative research. According to Gilmore, Jordan said because of strategic planning, the University has to go slowly.

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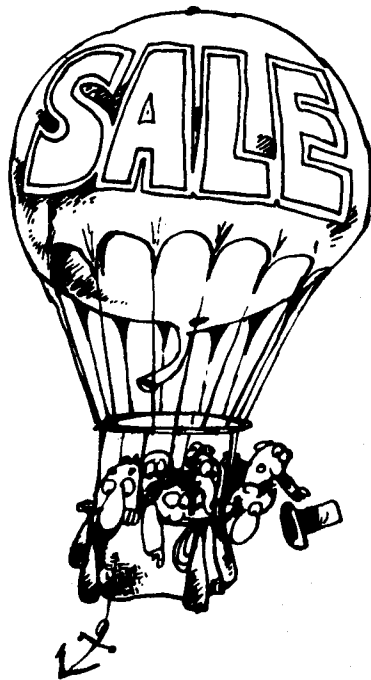
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